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Dindigul
No. 9

Letter Book

Commencing the 10th May 1796

To

No 37

Sammy Moddy
Tahsildar

X

I have Recd your Several letters & applied to Lt. Col. Cuppage whose Order I Enclose you for the Seizure of Venatachelum you will instantly deliver Colonel Cuppages order to the Subadar who will send Venatachelum a prisoner of Setarea Mahatarama & you will order him to attend my Cutchery At Dindigul instantly — you will agreeable to my former order desist from attending Mr Stodart unless he sends for you — Be diligent in the Collection of the Valley —

Dindigul
10 May 1796

G W
Collector

No 8 Mily Correspondence

To

Magauly Soubadar of the 17th Bn of Sepoys

I send you an order from Lt Colonel Cuppage by which you will perceive you are to implicitly obey the directions you Receive from me, It is therefore my order that you immediately depart to Cumly with the Detachment under your Command for the purpose of Seizing the person of Venatachelum, late Dubash to Captn Oliver whom you will immediately send a Prisoner to Dindigul — I have Written to Mr Stodart to deliver

any

Mahatarum Renter of Vetangollum of Malyamuttah, to whom you will give protection so that he may attend my Cutchery at Dindigul immediately, this will be delivered you by Sany Mudely the Company's Tahsildar —

G Wynch
Collector

Dindigul
10 May 1796

No 38

To
Edward Saunders Esqr
President & Members of the Bd of Revenue

Gentlemen

When I had the Honor to address you on the 4 Inst I had Reason to hope that the measures I had adopted would have been sufficiently decided to have made all further Reference to you Gentlemen unnecessary — My letter to Mr Stodart of the 2 Inst Covering Extracts from Mr Secretary Lushington's letter of the 28th Ult was delivered to Mr Stodart on the 6th the subsequent protection given by him to Verratachelum Mulletetee so entirely against all order that I conceived it my duty to apply to Colonel Cuppage to give such Positive Orders as might support my Authority & thereby evince to the Inhabitants that I was the immediate Representative of Government in these Districts —

Be assured Gentlemen that every exertion shall be made to
prevent loss of Revenue delay it is not in my power to prevent -
the Inhabitants of Kilmangalum whose Kists money is ready
and orders from Vencatachelum not to attend to my orders for
~~Vencatachelum~~ and ~~he watched~~ to wait for his Return from the Valley -
the 4 Kists of Mahatasum are likewise Ready for payment &
are only withheld in Consequence of his Imprisonment - the
Rent. of Inhabitants in this part of the District are Convey in
fact I trust Gentlemen you will see the disagreeable Predicament I am placed in & issue such Orders as may immediately Restore Order in this District - Mr Stodart
has sent in 100 Colly fanams a Nazar Rund from Appajee
Gounden which he desires may be Carried to the Company's
Account - Kistnamma Chetty Soucar has proceeded up the
Valley with Mr Stodart - Agreeable to your directions I transmit
all papers Relative to the above & Request the Rec &c.

Gentlemen

Your Most Obt Sert

G M

Dindigul

16 May 1796

Papers alluded to

3 Letters from Sawmy Moodely, a letter to Mr Stodart, one to Sir
C. A. Coppage, His Reply with Enclosure letter to Sawmy Moodely given
to Moyenly Subadar under date the 20 May -

To [4] No 40

Edward Saunders Esqr

President & Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

Since granting Sunnuds to the Several Polygars for the Settlement of the Perfund Phagelly the Polygar of Madoor has been very Importunate with me to Restore him to his Pollam the Proposals he has given in together with the Security offered I have now the Honor to Enclose, the good Conduct of the Polygar for the last 6 Months may give him some little Claim to your favor for with the Exception of the disturbances which arose in the Pollam on Vencatachelams Return to the District of which I believed on my Proclamation being made Public he has been uniformly Obedient I have the Honor to state for your information the following Account—

1795		
Octr 1st	To Ballance due	7230..0
	To Tribute for Phagelly 1205	4100–0–0
	To Servants Wages &c from 1 Novr 95 to 1st May 96	813–0–0
		12143–0–0
	Deduct Collections from 1 Novr to 1st May	1633..2..30
	Mayr Ballance this Day	10,509–7–10

of

of this Sum should the "Accompanying proposals" be Accepted Colly Chuckrs 10.200 .0 .0 will be paid by the 1st of July 1797 as the Agreement stipulates for the Payment of 700 Chuckrs Monthly so long as any Ballance Remains Amounting to 8400 Chuckrs Annually & the Whole Growing Rent for Pheyaly 1206 will be Liquidated with the Tribute for the Ensuing year — I likewise Enclose for your information the assessments for Pheyaly 1205 Gross Receipts from ~~[illegible]~~
1st Nov to 12 July 1796 valuing the Paddy at
4 fanams per Cullum —————— 3225
Charges for 1st Nov to 12 July at 135..5 per Month —— 1138-2-8
2086 7-32

leaving a Balance of Colly Chuckrs 10.056-2-8 supposing the Pollam to yield 7000 Chuckrs Annually which I think it may certainly be brought to leaves after paying the Tribute & charges Collection an aggregate of only 1274 Chuckrs Annually — under these Circumstances I take the liberty of offering the proposals for your Consideration Gentlemen observing that as the Pollam was sequestered without trouble or Expence it may be again put under Management should the Poligar fail in his Agreements —

I have the Honor to be
Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
[signature]

Dindigul
10 May 1796

Hon Extra A.B.C

To |6| No 43

Mr A. Stodart

Sir

I have Recd your Two letters of the 7 Instant Covg Copies of Two from Appogee Gaunder & an Oath Administered by you to Veneatachelum all of which will this day be transmitted to the Board of Revenue —

I have Only to Remind you of the last Paragraph of Mr Secretary Lushington's letter of the 28 ulto & to Repeat my orders to you of devoting your attention to the immediate Object of your Mission — you say you have every Reason to be pleased with the Conduct of Appogee Gaunder from which I Conclude (though you have not notified it) that he has obeyed the Companys orders in giving up Haramonta pettah if so you will inform the Amuldar of Cumbum thereof who has my Orders to take charge — In Respect to Veneatachelum I have sent orders to the Subadar of Cunity to seize his Person &c

If any of the Companys Servants have misbehaved on a proper Representation I think you may depend upon their by punished therefor —

~~I am Sir~~

I am

Sir Your obed Serv

Dindigul

11 May 1796

G. ...

Collector

172 : No 44

To

Edward Saunders Esqr

President & Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

I have the Honor to Enclose four original papers this day Recd from Mr Stodart Copys of which I have kept in my Office I likewise transmit Copy of a Private letter under date the 7 Instant No 1 is too futile & No 2 too Insolent to need Comment, but while your orders Gentlemen are disobeyed I cannot be surprized that mine should be disregarded – The assertion respecting the Inhabitants of Perialdun is unfounded – the degree of Credit due to the letters No 3 & 4 are said to Come from the Polygar will appear from the following Circumstances On the 5th Mr Stodart arrived at Comby & on that very day sent men in the Nayar noticed in my letter of yesterdays date – Yet On that day you are told the fears of the Polygar had prevented him from waiting on Mr Stodart for a day or two – In the same letter he informs that the subject of my Proclamation had been made known to him & that the Peons came to fetch Vencatachelan Modely – yet on the 6th all this is forgotten & his fears are transferred to his own person No 5 is a Paper to which I beg to draw your particular attention, of

Vencatachelan

Vencatachelam has any Concern in the District hereafter if he has not I it becomes my Duty both as your Collector & as Justice of the Peace to procure Discharges both for the Polygars of Inhabitants for whom such heavy Debts are Claimed & from whom such usurious Interest is demanded

The Object of Supporting the Authority with which Government has been pleased to Invest me will I am Convinced Gentlemen be deemed of such Importance as to ensure to me of Your Support & as my immediate Superiors I Request to Submit through you an application for the Removal of my Assistant who is totally disobedient to my orders

When Vencatachelam arrives in Dindigul I shall Confine him untill I Receive your orders —

I have the Honor to Enclose Copy of my letter to Mr Stodart of this Date on whose Copy of letters from & to the Amuldar of Pyliny —

I have the Honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most obed Servt
[illegible]

Dindigul
11 May 1796

No 45 (9)

Notice is Hereby given to all Polygars Renters or others, that per the positive Order of the Collector that they make the following Proclamation of Colonel Floyds public in every part of their Respective Districts & they are further enjoined to use their best Endeavours to secure all or any persons who may be Guilty of Plundering in the Sultauns Country —

Dindigul
11 May 1796

G.W
Collector

No 11 Mily Correspondence

To
Major General Floyd
&c &c &c

Sir

I have this day the honor to Receive your letter of the 10 Inst Covering a proclamation which I have had put into the Country Language & will forthwith furnish each & Polygar & Renter with a Copy thereof. I have the Honor to transmit Copy of my Orders annexed thereto which will I hope have the Effect desired be assured Sir I shall have great pleasure in affording Colonel Coppage every assistance in my power Relative to the Enquiry he is Ordered to make —

I have the Honor &c

Sir
Your most obed &c

Dindigul
11 May 1796

G.W
Collector

No 46

To
Teeroovangoody
Amuldar of Pylny

Government has ordered an Enquiry to be made into the Depredations Committed in the Verapoorum District of Coryland of by that Amuldar of ~~that~~ Perrigazar Place — You will use your best Endeavours to discover the persons Concerned therein — If any of the Inhabitants or others in your Boundary can give Information on the Subject you will send them to Lt Col. Cuppage at Dindigul — I send you a Proclamation which you will make public throughout the whole of the Pylny District by beat of Tom Tom —

Dindigul
12 May 1796.

G.P.
Collector

No 51

To
Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr
Acting Secy to the Board of Revenue

Sir

I have Recd your several letters of the 6 & 7 Instant & shall attend to their Contents —

I Enclose you the Information of Doaddu

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Beyond what since the health were not enabled to you it take this day —

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your obed. Serv.
GW

Dindygul
13 May 1796

No 55

To Vella Condum Naiger
Polygar of Yerryadoo

It is my positive orders that you send in two heads immediately by the with the Bearer of this letter in the Event of your making any further delay you may depend upon Troops being sent against you —

GW
Collector

Dindygul
15 May 1796

No 12

Mility Correspondence

To
Lieut. Colonel Cuppage
Commanding at Dindigul

Sir

A Complaint having been alledged ag.st the Havildar Subadar Comandg at [illegible] Sandayar as you will perceive by the Accompanying
1. Letter which I Request you will Return after Perusal it would I conceive be Expedient to withdraw those, the Country being sufficiently

sufficiently guard that Topebaunk Peons with the Revolution there are 3 Caunes sufficient for its protection —

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
CPW
Collector

Dindegul
15 May 796

No 57

To
Saummy Naig
Amildar of Sandayar

I have Recd. your letter, it is my orders that you employ two more Topebaunk Peons of or the Sibbundy as disobedient to the orders of the Circar I have applied to Lt. Col. Cuppage to Remove him with the Seppoys belonging to the 13th Batta of the Madras Nat Remove — In Respect to Peermaun Cauly it does not belong to Sandayar but to Andeputty you are therefore not to interfere with it —

CPW
Collector

Dindegul
15 May 796

No 14 — Milty Correspondence

To
Lt. Colonel Cuppage
Commanding at Dindegul

Sir
You will see by the Accompanying Papers the

the very extraordinary Opposition that has been made to the Company's Aumeens I have transmitted the whole Proceedings to the Board of Revenue but as it appears to me absolutely necessary that some decisive Steps should be taken for the Restoring order at the Head of the Valley & preventing the depredations now Committing by the order of Appyaa Gaundan — I Request after perusal you will have the goodness to forward the whole to Major Genl Floyd, that he may either give such orders as he may deem Expedient or refer the matter to Government — It is necessary to inform you that Mahatoseer is not the Aumildar of Tatamgalla but the Renter of that place together with Malgunallah — that 5 Heads are due for each place which would have been paid but for his Confinement —

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedt Servt

[illegible]

Collector

Dindigul
16 May 1796

To 14 No. 13

Mr. Alexr Stodart

Sir

I am concerned to observe that you have totally mistaken the object of your mission the claims of Appajee Gaundin had been investigated & determined on by the Board — Your orders were to explain very fully to that Polygar the consequences that would ensue from a continuance of his contumacious conduct — you should have insisted on the immediate delivery of Hanamantapetty &c as stated in my directions to you on the 27 Ulto in lieu of which after remaining 9 days in the Pollam it does not appear that you have entered on the subject — I desire therefore that you will immediately inform me of the progress you have made & what means you have adopted for bringing Appajee Gaundin to a sense of his duty — You perhaps are not aware of the serious consequences that will ensue if the person of Muth Mukatasamy is not produced — Your reluctance to the Company's Arms is not strange Province & has therefore been forwarded to Government —

I am

Sir

Your obedt Servt

G W

Collector

Dindigul

16 May 1796

15   No 64

To
Edward Saunders Esqr

President & Members of the Bd of Revenue

Gentlemen

On the 10 & 11 Instant I had the Honor to Submit to you the Conduct of my Assistant, I then deemed it Necessary for the Support of that Authority with which I was Vested to enforce my Orders Respecting Vencatachelum — The Enclosure No 1 from the Subadar will evince to you that Cappagee Goundan is upheld in his disobedience by Mr Stodart & the letters from the Tehsildar & Aumildar prove that he Continues his depredations — As serious Consequences may ensue from the Opposition shewn to the Company's Troops I deemed it my duty to inform Major Genl Floyd on the Subject through Lt Col Cuppage — I have again Written Mr Stodart but entertain very little hopes that my orders will avail —

I have the Honor &c

Gentlemen

Your most &c

[illegible]

Dindygul
16 May 1796

No 65

List of the Packet

No 1 Letter from Mayauly Soubadar at Cumbum

2d Letter from Samy Modely the Company's Tehsildar

3 Letter from Aumildar of Cumbum

4 Letter from Mr A Stodart

5 Letter to Mr A Stodart

No 6 Letter to Lt Col. Cuppage 16

No 7 Letter to the Board of Revenue

GW

Dindygul
16 May 1796

To No 68

Mayanly Subadar

I have read your letter of approval of your conduct in Retiring from Country in consequence of so large a force being sent agt You — You will not enter Country untill you receive further orders but the Instant Vencatachelum quits the Pollam Seize him Personally send him to me a Prisoner —

Dindygul
17 May 1796

GW
Collector

To No 69

Kistnah Iyah Chetty
Acting Amuldar of Cumbum

I have read your letter respecting Godinaur(?) Yet inasmuch the Phasly is so far advanced I do not wish to make any new Arrangements you will therefore allow whatever has been Customary heretofore, I propose Renting these Lands the next Phasly —

I have likewise read your letter respecting the Depredations Committed by Appajee Gaundan, you will take

a particular acct of the left Sentence in consequence of his ill Conduct —

G.W. Collector

Dindigul
17 May 1796

No 70

To

Appajee Goundan

Poligar of Camby

Complaints are daily coming in to me of your ill Conduct you are not only ~~[illegible]~~ plundering at Cuttarapettore but you are preventing the Poligar of Baddanaigueer & Tavaran from Cultivating their lands — you have disobeyed my orders in Seizing Vencatachelum & have had the temerity to oppose the Company's Arms all this has happened at a Juncture when you ought to have been particularly Cautious as I sent my Assistant up to inform you if you did not punctually obey my orders you would lose your Pollam — Mahatummy one of the Company's Renters is still Confined in your Pollam return him instantly to his Station I shall hold you Responsible for his Debts to the Company ~~by detaining~~ in consequence of your having detained his Person —

G.W.
Collector

Dindigul
17 May 1796

No 71 18

To
Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr

Secy to the Bd of Revenue

Sir

The accompanying Sketch of this District taken for my own Information during my late Tour will I hope answer the purpose Required by the Board in your letter of the 6 Inst ~~Should the Board Require any~~ I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your obedt Servt

GW

Dindigul
17 May 1796

No 72

To
Edward Saunders Esqr

Presidt & Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

On the 17 ulto I had the Honor to inform you that Golang Naique had declined Receiving a Sunnud from me for his Pollam of Nella Cottah unless the Villages of Pettiah nattam & Pettalopatty were included therein - after Repeated Admonitions from me he has sent his Vakeel to me with professions of Paying in 10 days the Amount of 2 Kists on Account - Producing the Original of a Cadjan signed in English by Mr Macleod Copy & Translation of which I have

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the House to Enclose — I have to Request your Direction in what Manner to proceed — I take the liberty of Referring you on this Subject to my letter of the 22d August 1795 with its Enclosures — at the same time I must observe that I am fearful the assurance of Payment in 10 days is only pretence being inclined to think the Polygar will not make good any payment until the Settlement is Concluded on —

The Renter of Chelicanputty having from extreme ill health been long absent I have only now been able (by that for his Servant) to Reply to Mr Secy. Lushington's letter of the 31 March respecting the Repairs of the Annicut the Expence of which is Estimated by my Servants at about 450 Chucks; the Renter professes his Readiness to pay ½ the Expence by instalments & Solicits the assistance of the Company for the Remainder. This Renter being in Arrear I have put Peons over his Paddy his Health makes it impossible to secure his Person & the Price of Paddy at Chelicanputty 3 fans per Cullum would make an immediate Sale very detrimental —

The Vakeels of Roaddeenagram & Taroor have Represented to me that the Peons of Appajee Goundin prevent their Carrying on the Cultivation of their Lands his Depredations at the Head of the Valley are daily Encreasing Passengers being Constantly Robbed by his people under the Name of Colleries —

Sam

Some disagreement having happened between the Inhabitants at Sandayur & the Sepoys I judged it expedient to Recall the Guard of Regulars leaving the Invalids with 10 Tayebanah Peons for the protection of the Fort which will Considerably lessen the Expence of Sepoys meet with your approbation—

I have the &c

Gentlemen

Dindigul
18 May 1796

Your obedt Servt

GW

List of the Packet No 73

No 1 Letter to Goliup Naique
No 2 Do from Do
No 3 Sanned from Mr Macleod to Goliup Naique
No 4 Letter to the Board of Revenue

Dindigul
18 May 1796

GW

To No 79

Edward Saunders Esqr

Presidt & Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

At the Instance of Mr Stodart I trouble you with the Inclosed letter for his last Respects Recd, the letter alluded to being entirely Relative to my public Conduct was forwarded for your Information— I am Concerned to

Observe

Observe that notwithstanding my Repeated admonitions my Assistant Continues to decline Communicating with me Relative to the Business on which he was sent up the Valley —

I have written Appiyar Gaundin Poligar of Canty to demand the Person of Mahatarn Renter of Pertangollo & Mahgaulthe & to order him to desist from Plundering &c up the Valley.

I have the Honor to be

Gentlemen

Your obedt Servt

JM

Dindigul
20 May 1796

List of the Packet

No. 1 Letter for Mr Stoddart

No. 2 Do to Appiyar Gaundin

No. 3 Do to the Subadar at Cumbum

No. 4 Do to the Board of Revenue

JM

Dindigul
20 May 1796

No. 80

To

Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr

Acting Secy to the Board of Revenue

Sir

In Reply to your letter of the 11 Instant I request

you

You will be so obliging as to inform the Board that Tombah is
the name of a Gownder who was formerly the principal Inhabitant
or Gownder of Chinna Malla (little Hill) in the Congayam
District under my Management during the late War — He is
indifferently mentioned by both appellations in the accounts
I shall avoid this in future the same Remark is applicable to
Meeder Vengaty Iyen Nayens being only an assumed Title —
Chinnamalla. for Tombah Gownder is a Man of Property
he has a good number of followers of whom about 300 Match
lock Men & from 30 to 50 Horse are Constantly in his
Pay the Remainder he permits to Serve Occasionally either
as Peons or Cultivators to those who wish Engage them —
It does not Appear that the depredations lately Committed
& Complained of by the Inhabitants of Darapoor were
Committed by his Orders — The only Complaints that have
been alledged agt him to my knowledge subsequent to Mr
Macleod's letter were from the Commanding Officer of Pylny
the particulars of which Appear in my Military Correspondence
for July under date 11, 15, 18 & 19 of that Month — from
which it Appears that the Numbers must have been
very trifling as a Naig & 6 Sepoys Stationed at Veerapunvaulesei
having Effectually put a Stop to the Inroads Complained of —
If the Account contained in Captain Oliver's letter of the
18th Stating the Names of the Sheroygars & Countrys from
which the Peons were furnished is Correct, it is my
Opinion

Opinion exactly exculpates Chinnamalla or Tambah Gaundan from any Share therein - this Man is in a very particular Predicament expelled from the Sultaun's Country & no Asylum granted him in this, he has no means of exculpating himself from any Charges that may be brought ag.t him - Should the Board deem it Expedient to authorize my having Communication with him I have no doubt but he would on my Circle either wait on me in person or send a Confidential person to Commune on any proper Subject they may order - but without their permission I do not hold myself at liberty to send to him - It is Observable that at the Juncture in which the Sultaun's people alledge Complaints that they are giving protection to those who evince express disobedience to the Company's orders Tippoo's family have found protection in Yedermacha's Pollam (better known by the Dellu Cottah Ranee's Pollam) where the Polygar of Rattenbaddy now Resides -

Agreeable to the directions Contained in your letter of the 13th Inst. Remarks shall in future be annexed to the Account Demand Collection & Ballance submitted Monthly for the Information of the Board - the 2d & 3 Paragraphs shall be duly attended to -

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your obed.t Serv.t

[signature]

Dindigul

20 May 1796

To
Edward Saunders Esqr
President & Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

I Have the Honor to Receive your letter of the 13 Inst & beg leave to inform you that the Polygar of Rattambaddy Retired from his Pollam to Delli Collatoh on the Droop nearly 25 Days in January last. having uniformly avoided my Correspondence

No 81

To Toppea Naique

Polygar of Rattambaddy

You must be sensible of the great lenity shewn you by the Company who have thus long forborne from Sequestering the Pollam of Rattambaddy in a hope that the Repeated Admonitions of their Collector would induce you to Return to a Sence of your duty, willing to hope for the good Character I have heard of you from the Dessovery and Amuldar of Pyloy & others that your late Conduct has been induced Rather from a misconception than from a Designed disobedience, I am led to Admonish you in writing of what I fully explained in person to your Vakeel You have now been Absent near 5 Months & in taking

protection

protection of a foreign power throw off that allegiance which you owe to the Company whose immediate dependant you are; Return immediately to this territories attend my Cutchery without loss of time in a full Confidence of a favorable Reception Considering this as a Cowle for the protection of your person should you still have fears, ~~the~~ The Polygar County will immediately be restored by a prompt Obedience to my orders enable me to Recommend you to the favor of the Board of Revenue be assured of my inclinations to serve you of that in the event of your immediate Return Rest satisfied that you will have the Management of Rattumbady Committed to your Care otherwise to prevent loss of Revenue it must be Consigned to the Care of those who Merit by Confidence of Obedience that favor which you will forfeit

Dindygul
20 May 1796

G W
Collector

No 83

To
Edward Saunders Esqr
President & Members of the Bd of Revenue

Gentlemen

I Have the Honor to Receive your letter of the 13 Inst & beg leave to inform you that the Polygar of Rattumbady

return

retired into the Sultaun Country on the Droogs Moonty of Iyangar in January last in Consequence of which I have not had any further Communication with him he now resides at Delli Cottah a Pollam dependant on the Coimbatoor Country (otherways called Yedermacha Pollam) I Repeatedly used to have through those of the Natives most in his Confidence & by the means of Iswarvagoody got his Vakeel to attend me in April last —.

In Recommending that the Pollam should be put under Management of the Amildar of Pylny I consider it as a prudent Measure for if the Lands are not attended to at these Seasons there is too much Reason to fear that a loss of Revenue may accrue the Ensuing Phusly — This measure appeared to me Advisable whether the Lands should hereafter be granted to the Polygar or Rented — In Consequence of your letter I have written to the Polygar & have the Honor to Enclose Copy of my letter

I shall use my best endeavours to induce the Head Inhabitants of the Pylny Villages to come forward with offers of Rent & Report very fully to you on the Subject with the least Possible delay —

I am Concerned that the Mode I Adopted for the Seizure of Vencatachelum should have Appeared to you irregular — you will have the goodness to Observe I did

not

Since my direction through the Tahsildar until my assistant had expressly refused obedience to my orders of having forbidden Vencatachellum from proceeding up the Valley I conceived it incumbent on me to enforce my orders — Sawmy Moodely was appointed Tahsildar in the Room of Gopaul Kistnah immediately on my Arrival & was the only public Servant I could spare from my Cutcherry It was meant as a Convenience to Mr Stodart altho' attended with inconvenience to myself —

As the Nefarious Conduct of Vencatachelum will come before you more Regularly at a future Period (after his Return) I shall not at present trouble you on the Subject —

I have this day sent a packet for Mr Stodart containing 16 Numbers Mallabar & English which shall be forwarded as soon as copied —

I have the Honor to be

Gentlemen

Your obedient Servant

[signature]

Dindigul
21 May 1796

No 14 28

To
Nella Dados
Polygar of Dedanigaputty

I am extremely surprised at your Delay in paying in the 2 first Shares for the present Phusly if you do not instantly pay in that Sum you will be dispossessed of your Pollam — your Vakeel informed me that you was Coming and only waited your first Kists but your old Balance I expect your immediate answer —

GW
Collector

Dindigul
21 May 1796

No 16 Mily Correspondence

To
Lt Col Cuppage
Commanding at Dindigul

Sir

Four Sepoys & Naigue of Sepoys that were Stationed at Ootampollam of Malayamuttah have Returned without leave in Consequence of Batta not being allowed them —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
GW
Collector

Dindigul
22 May 1796

No 86

To

John Mitford Esqr

Accountant to the Board of Revenue

Sir

Herewith I transmit you my Accounts for the Month of April — I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your obedient Servt

GW

Dindygul
22 May 1796

No 87

To

George Sulivan Martin Esqr

Paymaster at Palamcottah

Sir

I have been favored with yours of the 12 Instant it will not be in my power to comply with your Indent for the 1st of June — I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your obedt Servt

GW Collector

Dindygul
23d May 1796

No 88 30.

To

Edward Saunders Esqr

President &c Members of the Bd of Revenue

Gentlemen

I have the Honor to transmit letter from Mr Stodart of the 18 Inst. Covering 16 Numbers on which I have made a few Remarks No 25 I have likewise been obliged to add a few Numbers, for your Information which will I trust Elucidate the whole, I have to Observe with Concern that turning his attention to Criminate Others my assistant has lost sight of the most Material Part of my Instructions "Keeping in View" "the Express Order of the Board that Hannamuntapatty is to" "be given up without Reserve of the Watching fees of Cumbum" "&c Relinquished" On this Subject Mr Stodart Observes "It" "may perhaps be Unnecessary in me to advance my opinion of mine" "on the Subject of Appegar Gaunden Right to the Village of Hanna" "muntapatty – But I hope I will be excused when I say, that his" "having assured me that he would most willingly should the" "Board be pleased to admit of his Right to holding the Village" "pay an additional Sum by way of assessment of Chs 350 per" "Annum (which as far as I can learn is a very fair assess–" "ment) to which he now pays the Company for this Village –" "very much Strengthen his former Claim to it" – from which it does not appear that either the Village or Watching fees have been demanded by I fear on the Contrary is Rather likely

the

to endure a Continuance of disobedience than any Person on the Conduct of the Polygar who will hence that Mr Wroughton had proposed raising his Tribute to 2667 & that I had proposed raising it to 1500 independent of Hanamantapetty which you Acknowledged by the Polygar to have produced C.l. Chs. 1114 or Chipletty 1203 — (making a difference of [illegible] Chs) — on this Subject I had the Honor to address you on the 22 April 1795 —

You will be Pleased Gentlemen to Observe that "the "false order to hold the Village of Hanamantapetty of the watchy" "free of Cumbum &c for ever" said to have been given by me, does not appear, neither does it appear why my Assistant declined sending or giving the letter I entrusted to him to Oppagur Gowden

I Request to be furnished with your further orders On this Subject, you will I trust see the Necessity of Mahatamm of family being Released whatever your orders may be to the Polygar Permit me to Observe that it would be highly gratifying to me if You would Permit of their being recorded by your Secretary & of their discharged I take the liberty of Observing that they should be immediately enforced — ~~I Request you~~

x I Request your Permission to carry the deposit of 3000 Chucks to Account otherwise the Cumbum Collections will unavoidably fall very short this Chipletty particularly as the Sepoys now on Batta are entirely owing to the Contumacious Conduct of Oppagur Gowden x

I have the Honor to be
Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
[signature]

Dindegal
29th May 1796

Remarks On the 16 Numbers transmitted by Mr Stodart

No 1 No Remark

No 2 — D — D

No 3 — Letter from Appajee Gaundan to Mr Stodart — dated the 4th by mentions a prior Visit —

No 4 — Mr Stodart letter to Mahatasum dated 5 May — In Consequence of this letter the Renter who had been permitted to Return up the Valley by the Collector to facilitate the Payment of 4 Shusts due to the Company for the Rents of Outangolla by 4 for Mahgunnattah in the Cowle of Appajee Gaundan — repaired to Camby where he has since been detained a Prisoner by his Family forcibly carried off during the Night Vide representation of his Nephew the Renter of Perrachelur No 18.

the former part of this Remark was Submitted to the Board of Revenue on the 18 ultimo

No 5 Letter from Appajee Gaundan to Mr Stodart dated 5 May — The assertions in this letter are Unsubstantiated by proof of any kind — of the Deposit of 3000 Cully Chucks the Collector informed the Board on the 4 of Decr 1795 the Day on which it was demanded from the Sircar — Marrain Doss is at present absent but his Principal Gomastah who transacts all his money Concerns in this District denies having paid the Sum of 1700 Rupees Vide his declaration No 19 as this transaction appears the only one in the Voluminous transmissions of any Consequence the Collector has given it a very full investigation particularly as to both Commarasawmy Chetty of ~~Tana~~ and Soma Sundra Iyer that deny they have any claims on Appajee Gaundan

Gaundary on the Renters asserted by him that these their present
denials would preclude future claims to which they Applied
If Eyyagaw Gaunder is indebted to us 5000 Chs let him either
Repay the Money or pass his Bond - if he declines either it
evidently proves his assertions are unfounded, we have no claim
on him the 3000 Chucks having been a deposit and a loan -
Tondawy Modely was appointed Peshcar vice Ramrow
Samy Modely D——— Tahsildar vice Gopaul Kistnah
Vassa Davy D——— Writer vice Tohn Arrow - these
Servants having proceeded with Mr Worrington to the Northward
The Renters of Anamaai Lands being immediately under the
Peshcar - of the Polygar under the Tahsildar - Vassa Davy Pelly
having no interference therewith of never being deputed from the
Cutchery he being the Interpreter - Achelandum is the only
private Servant ever Employed on Public Duty of all translations
are Committed to him of which the Board are informed the
Remarks Subjoined in Consequence of its being presumed that the
No 13 is meant as the Original of the Letter Submitted to the
Board by the Collector on the 12 of March last - the Substance
of each being the same it does not appear which is meant to
be Substantiated by No 13 -

No 6 Makatasamy declaration dated 6 of May - In this decla-
ration which there is too much Reason to believe was
forcibly taken / the Man never having appeared since / Makatasamy
is made to say that the Village of Hannamantapitty had
been given up by after due Restored to the Polygar in Consequence
of the Collectors letter to him No 7 Refuted by Makatasamy
letter

letter to the Collector under date 15th of July 1795 — Copy annexed No 20 further Refuted by letter of Appajee Goundan dated 13 July No 21 Replied to by Collector on the 19 July 1795 No 22 & 23

No 7 Answered in the foregoing Remarks — the Original in English being Submitted No 23

No [illegible] & 9 Letter from Peshcar Toondaroy to the then Aumildar of Cumbum both these Numbers prove that the Orders of the Collector were ~~directed~~ decided that No Watchy fees should be allowed to the Polygar the Aumildar being only to Enquire whether Appajee Goundan had any Maniam for these fees, these Orders being been followed by the Peshcar was in consequence of the illness of the Collector who was confined to his Room with the Gout —

No 10 Letter from Appajee Goundan to Mr Hodgart Covering Representation of the Inhabitants of Cumbum — This proceeding was very irregular as Mr Hodgart should have written to the ~~Aumildar~~ Aumildar of Cumbum for any information he Required and then permitted the Polygar to send an order — to the falsity of this declaration I can safely assert having had Tom Tom beat not only in my own presence but in that of the Polygar of the Cutcherry informing that the Watchy fees Could not be appropriated untill the orders of the Board were previously Obtained, this was done in Consequence of ~~the~~ Inhabitants having notified to me that the fees would be demanded after my Return — Vakeel Davy was my Interpreter on this Occasion for whom I

Conclude

Conclude the inventory ag[ains]t him his answer—

No 11 Declaration given by Appajee Gowden to Mr Stodart dated 6th May— Appajee Gowden had withdrawn his Vakeel prior to July 1796 of which the Collector apprized the Board Vide letter under date 5 of July— Sarungy Mully proceeded up the Valley in obedience to my order on the 27 of July copy of the Instructions submitted to the Board on the 24 of July—

No 12 Second declaration given by Appajee Gowden on the 6 of May

It appears extraordinary that this was not included in the foregoing Number— the 3 declarations alluded to were forwarded to the Board on the 12 of March— the Polygars Reply to them is inexplicable, but as Mr Stodart Observes in the 5th Paragraph of his letter that he "had the several Papers of "declaration Carefully Interpreted to him" it is presumed he may hereafter explain his meaning—

No 13 Replied to in Remark on No 5.

No 14 Letter from Appajee Gowden to Mr Stodart on the 13th The Subadar could not have had more than 29 Men the Greater his force the greater the temerity of the Polygar in opposing him—

No 15 Declaration of Appajee Gowden to Mr Stodart dated 16th— How Came Mr Stodart not to enter on this Subject before— the declaration however does not disavow the fact but asserts his Right thereto

No 16 No Remark.

It appears from the ~~[illegible]~~ Numbers on which the

foregoing

Enquiry are Remarks that all the letters declarations &c with the exception of No 15 were taken on or before the 6 of May & that altho' Mr Stoddarts letter is dated from Cumby the 18th of that Month it does not appear that any business was transacted during the last 12 days — The Collector begs leave to remind the Board of the letters transmitted by Mr Stodart on the 7 Curry twice for the Polygar of the 5 & 6 Instt & frequently framed to inform the Board that the order for the Iyen of Vanatachilun had blamed the Polygar & suspended his Enquiry. Whereas the papers now transmitted Examine the the Enquiry had been Closed previous to Mr Stodarts letter of the 7 Instt transmitted to the Board on the 11 Instt —

Dindigul

22d May 1796   N.B. The Person called Magoodasama Iyen & Mahatasam are the same Person   GW

No 90

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No 10 Letter from Appaji Gauden [illegible] on behalf of Inhabitants of [illegible]

No 11 Dubash of Appaji Gauden

No 12 D——— D

No 13 Letter from App. D D

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No 15 Dubash of D—— D

No 16 Letter to Appaj. D D

No 17 Letter from Mr Stodart to Mr G. Wynch

No 18 Letter from Vencatarama Iyen

No 19 Dubash of Soma Sundra Iyen

No 20 Letter from Mohatarm

No 21 Letter from Appaji Gauden

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No 23 Letter to Mohatarm

No 24 Letter to the Board of Rev

No 25 Remarks

Dindygul
23d May 1796

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Here Enter ⊕

To 38 . No 94

Robert Hughes Esqr

Paymaster at Madura

Sir

I have recd your letter of the 24 Inst & shall order immediately 5000 Pags to be paid to your agent here which is all I shall be able to supply for your Detachts for the 1st of June —

I have the H. to be

Sir

Your obed Ser

Dindygul
24 May 1796

GM

No 95

To

Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr

Acty Secy to the Bd of Revenue

Sir

Herewith I transmit you a Bill this day rec'd from the Paymaster in favor of the Board of Revenue for 3000 Star Pags under date the 12 May

I have the Honr to be

Sir

Your obed Ser

Dindygul
24 May 1796

GM

PS I Enclose you the Copy of the Malabar letter No 21 which was Omitted in my letter of yesterdays date to the Bd of Revenue —

No 96   39

To Robert Woolf Esqr

Accountant General

Sir

Herewith I Enclose you Copy of a Order from the Super of the Board of Revenue for Star Pagodas 3000 under date the 12 May

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your obedt Servt

G W

Dendygul

24 May 1796

No ~~xx~~ No 102

To

~~Mr Alexander Stodart~~

~~Sir~~

To Sawmy Modely

Tahsildar

On Receipt of this you will immediately Repair leave Outampellam & Collect the Several Rents Due up the Valley & bring them into Dendygul as soon as you can —

G W

Collector

Dendygul

25 May 1796

To   41   No 17   Mily Commgnd

Lt Colonel Cuppage

Commanding at Dindygul

Sir

I enclose you extract for a Board of Audit for your Information —

I have the honor to be

Sir Your obedient Servant

Dindygul
25 May 1796

G W
Collector

To   No 1045

Linguum Monigar

It is now a Considerable time since you was Ordered to attend my Cutchery to Receive the Gratuity ordered you by Government — If you do not come here before the 10 of Next Month I shall report your Conduct to Government

Dindygul
25 May 1796

G W
Collector

To

Edward Saunders Esqr

&c &c President & Members of the Bd of Revenue

Gentlemen

On the 24 I received your letter of the 18 Instant 17 of the Papers I had the Honor to transmit on the 23d being the Originals of signed by Mr Stodart which I beg to not remit to you that as the Subject of his Enquiry was closed on the 6th of May they could not have been impeded by any measures of mine —

You will permit me to observe that my orders for the Seizure of Vencatachelum were Communicated to Mr Stodart by letter on the 19 Ulto 6 days previous to his leaving Dindygul & further that I never issued an order through the Tahsildar on this subject without apprizing Mr Stodart thereof. Vide my letters to him Copies transmitted to you Gentlemen on the 23 April 4th 10th 11th & 16 Instant of the use Vencatachelum has been of to Mr Stodart in the Investigation submitted to his Charge you will be able to Judge by observing how far "the Object you had in view in deputing "Mr Stodart to Recal Appajee Govinder to a sense of his duty" has been attended to —

Had I taken a less Active part against Mahatarum I should have held myself responsible for his fate whatever that may be, I beg to Depend on the Report that both himself & family are in necessary, the Loan that he had Negotiated for the Payment of his Balance is Consequently withheld — at the same time I flatter myself in a hope

that

that I shall be able to procure the Release of this Man, no
exertion on my part shall be wanting of my Endeavours to
discover where a Renter so Situated as Mr Stodart has ~~[illegible]~~
permitted you with his Request will not I conceive be
deemed an interference I cannot here help observing I am
Concerned that the attempt of a Collector at Seizing a Native
Guilty of the most Nefarious Conduct in the District com-
mitted to his charge
should be Construed into an assumption of Power, while
his assistant is permitted to keep a Company Renter under
a Military Guard — You were pleased Gentlemen on a former
Occasion the 14 of Nov.r to say "that it behoved me upon"
"the first Suspicion of improper Conduct on the part of the"
"Jagoody Poligar of the Province to have Sued an early"
"period for their attending at my Cutcherry & on the want"
"of their Refusing my Summons I should have applied to"
"Captain Oliver for the means of Supporting my authority"—
these orders I conceived were equally in force agt an
Individual whether Styled Soucar or Dubash — more parti-
cularly as his late Master Captain Oliver was so Convinced
of his ill Conduct that he gave me assurances he would
never again employ him in this District neither did
he ever Return until sent for by Mr Stodart who styles him
his Man — You desire Gentlemen to know for what purpose
I informed you that Shatrama Chetty had proceeded up the
Valley — The Information was meant that no Responsibility
should

should fall on myself from Concealing from you that these necessary appendages to the negotiation of Loans which had Amounted to of nearly 5 Pollams had been taken up the Vally - Ketonam Chetty ~~Shroff~~ to Cheiring Vencatachalum by Brother to & attorney Man for Amrita Chetty Shroff to Cheiring Vencatachalum Modely Vide Letter to the Board under date 20 Novr 1795 with Enclosures - In justice however to him I must observe that he Returned immediately to Dindigul - Agreeable to your order I have Recalled Saumy Modely a Native Servant in whom I have much Confidence & who ~~will~~ shall at all times be Answerable for his Conduct -

Your desire Gentlemen to be informed of the Specific Charges which have occasioned my late Conduct agt Vencatachalum & Requiring ~~the~~ them to be immediately transmitted Whatever proofs it may be in my power to afford, I charge Vencatachalum with an improper interference in the District & in Endeavouring to support an undue Influence by making use of the Names of Gentlemen in the Bd of Revenue I Charge him with being the Cause of a very Considerable loss of Revenue to the Company in Consequence of his Negotiating certain Loans Under Argument of the Pollams Transmitted in Novr 1795 - I Charge him with having kept a Tahsildar in the Pollam of Yerriagoda for the purpose of Collecting the Revenue of ~~the~~ 12 Villages in Consequence of which a defalcation of Revenue is likely to ensue the present Fusly I Accuse him of Disobedience to the Company's Authority

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in proceeding up the Vally after the orders of these Collector Notified by beat of Tom Tom — As you Gentlemen have ordered that in the event of Vencatachalum being confined that he should immediately be Released I must decline bringing forward the different Proofs (now in my possession) untill such times as those orders are withdrawn or Government may be pleased by delegating their Authority to authorize a Confinement of Delinquents in this District — It would be derogatory to that Government who have been pleased to Stile me their immediate Representative in this District were I to Act Otherwise. For you will be pleased to observe that protection is given to a Native who has not only been demanded by Civil power but by Military authority of that as the immediate Agent of Government in this District I have been threatened in the Execution of my Office (in endeavoring to secure delinquents) Otherwise Gentlemen Mr Hodgsons Note would not have been Submitted to you — I have not interfered in the Magistracy of Loans with Renters in Consequence of your Notification to me, under date the 3d of July 1795 "that the Renters" " Mortgaging their families it is a Circumstance which frequently " Occurs & is of no Measure of Consequence" but I did not infer from hence that the Remark extended to the Pollams —

Other Charges not immediately Concerned in the Revenue I decline entering into to future Period —

Mr Stodart's Mission to Country by direct of his Report transmitted he cannot "be damaged by the difficulties with which "he Represents himself to be surrounded". I have therefore declined transmitting here any part of the Contents of your letter of the 18th Inst which will not I trust be Construed into Disobedience or disrespect to your Orders, for if my Integrity is doubted or my Conduct Reprehensible it will not I hope be deemed presumptious in me to Request that any Enquiry relative thereto may be Submitted to Men whose youth & inexperience will not entitle them to forbearance for Conduct the most insulting — X

I Confess Gentlemen I feel myself much aggrieved if my feelings have led me into any improper Warmth in this address I Request your Excuse therefor — You were pleased on the 13 Inst to say "You were perfectly decided in your "determination to Remove any Secret Influence that may be "found to Counteract my endeavours" I therefore ~~rest~~ satisfied of ultimately Removing that Support from which ~~my~~ only my endeavours (to Realize the Revenues Committed to my charge) Can be Successful & that when the whole of the extraordinary Combination that has been formed, appears before you that You Gentlemen will do me Ample Justice — Should you on the Contrary ~~having~~ deem your letter of the 18 Inst as decisive, I Request You will be pleased to lay the proceedings before the Supreme Board that I may not by a Lapse of the fixed

time

time be precluded from the ultimate Appeal allowed for in the 31st Article of Regulations.—

I have the Hon. to be
Gentlemen
Your obed. Servt
G.W.

Dindigul
26th May 1796

To No ~~10~~ 111

Iyah Cootty
Acting Amuldar of Cumbum

I have Read your letter of ... and in reply You are certainly to deliver any persons belonging to Appajee Gowden that Mr Hodart may Require relative to his Enquiry Respecting the Watching Fees &c ~~after Mr Hodart having~~

G. Wynch
Collector

Dindigul
27 May 1796

To No 112

Mr Alexr Hodart

Sir

It having been Represented to me by the acting Amuldar of Cumbum that a large body of Appajee Gowden's people had repaired to Cumbum & obstructing his duties therein I have this day written to him to deliver any persons belonging to Appajee Gowden that you may Require — You will on finishing your

Enquiry

Enquiry Respecting the Watching Fees [47] and on their to Return to their Pettah —

I am
Sir
Your obed^t Servt

Dindygul
28 May 1796

G.P.
Collector

P.S. your letter with the Enclosures has been forwarded to the Board —

To No 113

Edward Saunders Esqr

President & Members of the B^d of Revenue

Gentlemen

On the Receipt of your letter of the 13 Instant I summoned the Principal Inhabitants of the Pylney District to attend my Cutchery where I have the satisfaction to say they arrived on the 25th Inst (extraordinary as it may appear) with the exception of one Man this is the first time they had ever been in Dindygul — fully Sensible of the advantages they Receive under the Lenity of the British Government they are very Anxious to have the Management of their Respective Villages Committed to their Charge — I very fully explained your directions to them & had the Extract you Enclosed me interpreted to them, but no persuasions of [illegible] or assurances of mine Could Conquer the Objections they felt to becoming immediately Responsible to the Circar in Cash [for the annual produce] alledging that the Grain now in the District was more than sufficient for 2 years Consumption that they expected to be looked for the Sales in the

Dewannee

Dampanna Dinkand ~~[illegible]~~ for the Realization of the Grain one
on hand & that if they once entered into Many Negotiations
for the Payment of their ~~[illegible]~~ Rents that they saw nothing but
Ruin before them — The Loans made ~~[illegible]~~ in 1792 by Vencata
chelum being still pending — On the other hand there appears
so many Objections to the Company's Among those ~~[illegible]~~ Renters in
Grain which ever opens a Door for peculation & heavy
Annual Charges that it does away ~~[illegible]~~ those advantages
that Accrue from Renting — I therefore take the liberty of
Submitting the proposals which after a deliberation of 2
days they have agreed on & which I Recommend — These
proposals differ in a Small degree from those Submitted in
my letter of the 3d Inst. finding the Inhabitants very averse
to an Annual Increase until the 4 years I prevailed
on them after much trouble to Raise the Rents 1011 Chs
above the proposed Rent for Pulicat 1206 which were
proposed including Rattambady at 10,000 & is now Stated
exclusive thereof at 30511 making a difference of 1011 Chs
these Proposals I Recommend as better Advantageous to
the Company & Inhabitants ensuring an ~~[illegible]~~ Average
net ~~[illegible]~~ Revenue on 5 years of 32,621 Chs Annually — exclusive
of Jagoody & Rattambady — Gross Value of those Pettahs esti-
mated at about 10,000 Chs — I was not Uninformed of the
Gentlemen of your orders limiting the period of Renting
to 1, 2 & 3 years but as these Proposals are from the
Inhabitants

Inhabitants who are consequently have the labour & expence of the 2 first years. I conceive you will deem it but just they should have the advantages of the 4 & 5th besides which it appears to me a very desirable object that at the close of a long lease the Lands should be brought to their full Value as it stimulates the Industry of the Inhabitants who at that period would probably be indifferent to improvements from which they were not to receive an advantage—

The Church Negar is in my opinion rather low but in the declining state of the Religion in this District the Source of Revenue becomes every year more precarious & as the Advantages that may at present accrue therefrom is the only source from which Stipends & other Charges is to be defrayed joined to the unexceptionable Character of Jeronvargoody whose attachment to the English brought on him a long & severe Imprisonment & whose Gratitude for his Release so conspicuously appears from his unwearied labours in conciliating the Minds of the Inhabitants lead me to recommend him strongly to your favor he is a Man of Property & in point of Security I conceive every way eligible to the undertaking superadded to which the whole of the Inhabitants are willing to become jointly & separately responsible for any Ballances that may be due at the expiration of each respective Phyely—

I have the Honor to be
Gentlemen
Your obedient humble
Ed Pr

Dindygul
27 May 1796

To 50 No 115

Vella Canduum Naique

Poligar of Yerriyadoo

This is the fourth time I have sent to your Deputy the Chits due to the Company — you have only paid 600 Chuks I order you immediately on the Receipt of this to send in the Remainder [illegible] you are wanting of the Causes for the Disobedience of your Conduct I detain this to your Vakeel whom I order you to Return immediately with an Answer Stating ~~the~~ very particularly the reasons for your delaying Payment —

G W
Collector

Dindigul
28th May 1796

No 116

To
Edward Saunders Esqr
President & Members of the Bd of Revenue

Gentlemen

Your letter of the 20th Instant I yesterday Received — In Reply to which I have the Honor to State that I informed you Gentlemen on the 6th of September that I Conceived the Value of Madoor to be 7000 Chs that the preceeding year it had produced only two of years it as my Opinion that the

produce

produce this year would not Exceed 5000 Chs — the Exceed has
nearly Verified my assertion, the Pollam in one year has
Diminished from 2000 to 4500 Chs & I have little doubt but that
the formerly Chiefly 7000 will be produced Shept under Management
the Appointing Jsphilders on the part of the Company I certainly
did Recommend as the most likely mode of paying the growing
Kists & liquidating the Old Balance & I conceive it
entirely owing to this measure being adopted that the Pollam is
again in a flourishing State as it was in Consequence of
that Measure that the Inhabitants ~~returned~~ returned, in
my Letter of the 6th Sept I further informed you that the
Predecessor had "Requested I would order Soubah Pilly"
"whom I sent to Cheakangetty in March to act as Issildar"
"in that Pollam likewise seizing the Crops alledging that"
"the Inhabitants had deserted in great numbers owing to the"
"Oppression under which they labored in Consequence of Pilly"
" Moottoo Pilly having borrowed large Sums of Money at 48 pr"
"Cent per Annum 1368 the Pay of which remained yet"
"unpaid & for which the Inhabitants Share of the Crops"
"had been made Answerable I have the Honor to inform you"
"that in Consequence of my having adopted this Measure 140"
"of the Inhabitants are Returned" & in my letter of the 30 of
this Month I further Stated that "no Muchalkah from"
"the Polygar of Madoor was delivered in by my Predecessor" and
again "that I was not unmindful that my Predecessor

informed

"inform you on the 5 of December that a Mochulkah had been"
"given by the Polygar of Madoor, but on Enquiry was informed"
"by the Surprietty of Respect Servants that they were totally"
"Ignorant of the transaction little harm could have been"
"Expected from such Mochulkah as a Tahsildar was actually"
"Residing in the Pollam at the time of issuing the Cowle for"
"the purpose of liquidating the private Debts, I should rather"
"Suppose that the Mochulkah had been promised but not"
"given" — This Tahsildar was the immediate Servant of
Mr Stodart Mair Vencatachelum whom from a misconception
of the power lodged in me I then conceived I was entitled
entitled to forbid Residing in the Pollam which I accordingly
ingly did an Error I was led into from an Entry in
the Diary of my Predecessor when assistant Collector 16 June
1794. "I find that a Gomastah of the Soucar Narrain Doss"
"Resides at Pyney & being very decidedly of opinion that the"
"Residence of Persons of this description in any of the Pollams"
"would be attended with much inconvenience to"
"the Polygars of the Pollam, & of more to the Collector, I order"
"the Gomastah to quit the Pollam without delay" —
the Particulars of this Money transaction were afterwards delivered
me by the Polygar from which it appears that the Bond
had been Renewed on the 12 of July 1794 & altho a
Ballance of only Chuks 9 .. 2 .. 17/2 Cash remained yet the
Bond for 1800 Chs was stil withheld & the Demand in

December

December 1794 was 2204..7..22 the amount particular of this Debt amplified — were the Regulation for the administration of Justice in the Districts Ceded by Tippoo Sultan to be enforced. (If it is presumed a Collector cannot err very materially in taking such high Authority for his Guidance) It would appear from the 19. 20 & 22 Articles that on the 10 of December 1794 the Balance was in favor of the Polygar in the Sum of Colly Chuckrs 834..7..18 Independent of Interest Subsequent thereto —

From the foregoing Statement & Gentlemen it would appear that the Proposals Submitted on the 10 Instant had Originated rather from the Stability of my Conduct which has been Uniform for my first arrival in the District in discountenancing Many transactions of usurious practices in the Pollams. In this Instance at least my endeavours have been successful as the Inhabitants that fled from Oppression arising from Usurious transactions have not Only returned but Voluntarily Stood forward in agreeing to a temporary Increase of assessment until the Polygar is enabled thereby to liquidate His Debts to the Company for the assessment they become Responsible to Shreenee Vauseir who becomes Again Responsible to the Company — The Resources of the Polygar are very Small the few gaps belonging to his Women being the whole — The proposals I conceive very advantageous to the Company & as such Actuated by a wish to discharge with fidelity the trust Reposed in me I

Submitted

Submitted them for your Consideration — Shreenee Vausseen is a Man of unexceptionable Character a Principal Inhabitant & Land Holder but certainly not a Man whose private property can immediately Cover the Debt due from Madoor altho' I have little doubt but his Exertions & good Conduct would greatly Accelerate it —

I Enclose Have the Honor to Enclose a Representation of the Renter of Wooperpatty who is ~~also~~ Head a Man of very good Character. The Repairs of the Dam which I Conceive Amount to about the Sum Mentioned I have no Doubt but the Renter will Repay it Regularly altho I am of Opinion that his Circumstances will not admit of his Advancing the Money in the first Instance — the Repairs is absolutely Necessary —

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your obed^t Ser^t
G Wynch

Dindygul
28 May 1796

No 117

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No 2 D° — of the Renter of Wooppapatty
No 3 Letter to the Board of Revenue

G W

Dindygul
28 May 1796

Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir

In Reply to your letter of the 22d Instant this day Recd I Request you will be so obliging as to inform the Board that previous to my Report of the 22 of August 1795 I did call on the Polygar both Personally & through his Vakeel to furnish Copies of any Sunnuds he might be in possession of Respecting the Villages of Pittaborattum & Pettalapully – No documents however were produced which led me to Acquiesce in the Opinion formerly given by my Predecessor extracts from whose letters of the 1 August & 6 of December 1794 are now Submitted & which in Substance Correspond with the Polygar letter to me transmitted to the Board on the 22 of August 1795 – The Sunnud with Mr Macleod's Signature Copy transmitted on the 18 was only tendered to me on the 14 Inst – The Promise of the Vakeel Respecting the two Sheets being paid in 10 days has not yet been fulfilled should these Villages be resumed by the Circar I am of Opinion that a Reduction of 800 Chuks should be made to the Polygar – the Aumildar under whose Management they would be put [illegible] an offer to Rent them for the Ensuing Fusly for 700 which by Comparison and under the Net Value [illegible] Observable that Independent of 194-3-20 Paid & carried to the Company's Credit 500 Chuks

Chucks has been Collected this [56] Plugly by the Polygar am therefore Inclined to think as the Lands are extremely very improvable that this is Rather below their Value, including these Villages therefore I add here to my former opinion that the Pollam may be Raised to 7000 — Inclusive of these I think a deduction of about 500 the year / of this Sum 500 has been Recd / this year Should be made if that when the Tributes are Raised that the Pollam would not bear an Increase for its Present Tribute of more than 100 or 200 Chucks the Valuation having been made at 7 Fanams per Morly of the Ground computed to comprize 1400 Morlies generally Chucks 980 to nearly which I imagine Gross Collection they might ultimately be brought — To the other Subjects of your letter I shall Reply in a few days —

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most obed
GP

Dindigul
29 May 1796

~~P.S. you will observe that~~ Subsequent to my letter of the 22d Augt that I discovered the quantity of Land at Pelliahnattum &c Amounted to 1400 Morlies as appear in my Report of the Pollam Submitted in Nov last —

To 57. No 124

Mr Alexr Stodart

Sir

Your letter of the 25 Inst came to hand late
last night I am astonished that any Servant should Presume
to behave in the Manner you Represent Iyah Cootty to have
done & particularly as I have in during a long Service I never
knew him guilty of intentional Disrespect — your two
letters to the Amuldar of the 23d were transmitted by a Circar
peon in Consequence of which I sent orders for any Person
you Required being admitted

I am so decided in my Opinion
Regarding the Respect due to Superiors in Office that should
it appear Iyah Cootty's Conduct originate in intentional
Disrespect I shall certainly dismiss him — X

I am

Sir

Your obedt Servt

G W

Dindigul
29 May 796

X Your letter will be ~~transmitted~~ to Madras as
soon as Copied

No 122 58

To
Iyah Cootty
Acting Amildar of Cumbum &c.

I wrote you on the 27 Inst directing you to admit all persons into Cumbum that Mr Hodart may Require during his Stay in y.r the District under your charge — Mr Hodart informs me that you have been very disrespectful to him it is my Positive Order that you pay him every attention during his Stay & If I should hear that you or any of the Circar Servants are impertinent to him I shall certainly dismiss you —

You will lay every Complaint Relative to Appegee Gardens before Mr Hodart — particularly that one Respecting the Grain taken by him from Outangellum

Dindigul
29 May 1796

GW
Collector

No 124

To
Edward Saunders Esqr
President &c Members of the Bd of Revenue

Gentlemen

At the Desire of Mr Hodart I transmit A from No 1 to 5 to which I have added Copies of 4 Short

Letters

letters on the same Subject 57 I have given Mr Stodart and directions and it should be Construed into any interference bind your order Gentlemen to Remark on all papers transmitted lead me to offer the following Observations — When Mr Stodart proceeded to Examine into the Complaints alledged by Appaju Gaundan no Circar Servants of any denomination was admitted into the Pollam the only person Mr Stodart Complained employed being a ~~Badge~~ Peon whose Badge he took from him by engaged on his own service — When the Complaints alledged by the Inhabitants of the Circar Lands came under discussion no Investigation was to take place until the Prodani of Appaju Gaundan accompanied by the people Accused were present — & by the Letter of the Polygar No 4 it appears that the persons sent were not the Accused but Peons sent for the protection of the Prodani evidently tending to Awe the Inhabitants who had been ~~strongly~~ already threatened by Letter into Silence, If the Amuldar has behaved with Insolence I shall not hesitate in dismissing him ~~but I must Confess I do not see any great impropriety in his Refusing Admission to the Armed Peons of a Polygar particularly at 10 o'clock at Night~~

I must Confess it is my Opinion that Appaju Gaundan will pay as little attention to his present promises as he did to those given to my Predecessor & myself — I Request your final Orders Gentlemen on

this

this Subject, those already given through me not being deemed such of your directions respecting the mode in which those Orders are to be enforced – those formerly adopted not having been considered by my Assistant as sufficiently Mild of proper —

I have the Hon: &c

Gentlemen

Your obed. Servt

G W

Dindigul
30 May 1796

No 125

List of the Packet

No 1 Mr Stodart's letter to Mr Wynch

No 2 D° ——— Iyah Cootty

No 3 D° ——— D°

No 4 Letter from Appagee Gaundan to Mr Stodart

No 5 D° — Iyah Cootty D° ———

No 6 Letter to Mr Stodart

No 7 D° Iyah Cootty

No 8 D° Mr Stodart

No 9 D° Iyah Cootty

No 10 Letter to the Board

G W

Dindigul
30 May 1796

No. 1 61

To

Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr

Acting Secretary to the Bd of Revenue

Sir

Herewith I transmit you my Diary of Military Correspondence for the Month of May

I have the Honr to be

Sir

Dindygul

1st June 1796

Your obedt Servt

Sig.

No. 4 5

To

Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir

In Reply to your letter of the 27 ultimo I request you will inform the Board that in an average good year a Cawny of Paddy Land is Computed to yield about 2400 Pucka Seer & a Cawny of dry Grain about 350 Pucka Seer supposing 1 Crop from each — In Respect to the dry Grain it is impossible to speak with any degree of Precision as it depends on the season in which the Rain falls & the Species of Grain planted —

The Pucka Seer reckoned at 76½ Doodees weight

I have the Honr to be

Sir Your obedt Servt

Sig.

Dindygul

1st June 1796

To. No 9 62

George Powney Esqr
Collector of the Southern Poligar Peshcush

Sir

A Complaint having been made to me by the Dubash Mootah Merchants of Vadu Sendoor I enclose you the declaration of Sultaun Rahwuthun on the Subject & will be much obliged by your affording him every Redress in your power

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your obdt Servt
G W Collector

Dindygul
1st June 1796

To. No 10

George Powney Esqr
Collector of the Southern Poligar Peshcush

Sir

I Enclose you the Representation of Mootha Polly Renter of Vembarpatty — & Request you would be so obliging as to make an Enquiry into the business with as little Delay as you Conveniently can, that Justice may be done to the aggrieved party —

I have the Honor to be
Sir,
Your obedt Servt
G W
Collector

Dindygul
1st June 1796

To 63 No 11

Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr

Acting Secy to the Board of Revenue

Sir

Herewith I transmit you Account Current Collection of Ballance & Register of Bills —

I have the Honr to be

Sir

Dindigul

Your obedt Servt

1st June 1796

G.W.

No 18

To

Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr

Acting Secy to the Board of Revenue

Sir

Your letter of the 27 Ultimo is this day come to hand I Enclose for the Information of the Board the Reply of the Polygar of Ratteambaddy — Cooppa Naigue has not ~~as yet made~~ as yet attended my Cutchery — Illness is the usual plea of Polygars when they wish to avoid personal attendance — Ratteambaddy never has been Considered as an Independant Polygar & paid any Tribute Direct to the Circar —

The Conduct of Mr Hodart Subsequent to my letters of the 17 & 19 April Submitted to the Board

on

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on the 23^d of that Month on the grounds for my declaration that my Assistant had expressly Refused obedience to my orders —

Be so obliging as to lay the Enclosed declaration of Sultaun Rawuthen before the Board of assure them that I have ~~granted~~ transmitted Copy thereof to Mr Powney —

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your obed^t hum^e
G W

Dindygul
2^d June 1796

No 14
List of the Packet
No 1 Letter from Polygar of Rottenbaud
No 2 Representation of Sultaun Rawuthen of Vada Soodoor
No 3 Letter to the Secretary
G W
Dindygul
2^d June 1796

No 15
Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr
Acting Secy to the Board of Revenue

Sir

Herewith I Enclose you an Indent for Stationery & beg to observe that Paper is very much wanted the last Years Stock being nearly expended —

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your obed^t hum^e
G W

Dindygul
2^d June 1796

Here Enter A

To 65 No. 17

Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary

Sir

Herewith I transmit you Account of Probable Receipts of Disbursements for this Month —

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your obedient Servt

G.W.

Dindigul

5th June 1796

To No. 18

Edward Saunders Esqr

President & Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

I Have the Honor to Submit Copy of my letter to the Polygar of Yerriagoodoo together with Copy & translation of his Reply & to Request your Instructions thereon — the Many transactions alluded to therein were mentioned [illegible] in my Report of the Pollams in November last & again in the Diary of the 2d of February 96 I have this Day Recd no Chits from Yerriagoodoo I must offer it as my opinion that whilst Varentakalam Influence is allowed to predominate there there is little Prospect of the Tribute being paid —

In Respect to [illegible] Balance the Paddy on hand will certainly Cover it as it now Stands but

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but I am doubtful from what fund the Arrs and Debts are to be liquidated, himself & family are still at Canjy.—

Venentachelum I understand assumed the Rights accompanied by the Country people of his proceeding towards the Residency— ×

I have the Honor to be

Gentlemen

Your obedt Servt

GHW

Dindygul
6th June 1796

× No Money has been received as yet from the Poligar of Nellacottah—

List of the Packet

No. 1 Letter to the Poligar of Yerrangadoo
No. 2 Do — from Do — Do
No. 3 Letter to the Board of Revenue

GHW

Dindygul
6 June 1796

To No. 19

John Mitford Esqr

Accountant to the Board of Revenue

Sir

Herewith I transmit you my Accounts for the Official year ending on the 30 April 1796—

I have the Honor to be

Sir Your obedt Servt

GHW

Dindygul
6th June 1796

I No 21 67

To Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir

Herewith I Enclose you Statement of Extra charges paid on Account of Troops Employed on Revenue duty in this District for May, together with a Return of the Troops not found Employed

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your obedt Servt

[illegible]

Dindigul

7th June 1796

No No 23

To Edward Saunders Esqr

President & Members of the Bd of Revenue

Gentlemen

This Morning I Received the Sequel of Mr Stodarts Report which I Enclose in 5 Numbers one of which are already in your Possession you will be pleased to Observe the <u>Originals</u> of all Papers transmitted by Mr Stodart or at his Requisition transmitted on which Account I have uniformly transmitted the Originals of his letters to me —

I fear the Statement of the

Land

Lands No 4 will not afford you much Information — you will Observe Gentlemen that the Sum of C. Py Chuckrs 167.. 1.. 28 Only has been expended on the Repair of Tanks in lieu of from 1200 to 1400 the Estimated Expence this was Owing to the Uncommon Wet Season which nearly destroyed the New Works the Completion of made a Renewal of them impracticable until very lately nevertheless I trust the Comparative Statement of Next Month will Evince that the Talook is in an improved State the Valuation of the Lands 20,000 Chs appears as Erroneous as that of Hanamantapetty stated at 350 Chuckrs —

I Confess so Evident a degree of partiality appears on the face of the Investigation that I am at a loss what Remarks to make Respecting the Watchman whom it appears is a Prisoner on the 7th Instant I Received a Letter from Syed Cotty Avuldar which with its Enclosure I have now the Honor to forward it would have been better Candid to have taken the Evidence of Mogaully Subadar I do not know the Man but Major Oliver on his being sent up the Valley mentioned him to me in high terms of Encomium he certainly might have been Considered as a Creditable Witness —

I have not ~~[illegible]~~ Gentlemen what to say Respecting Syed Cotty I have no

Right

Right to doubt so particular an assertion as Mr Hodart's, but I must confess during a service of 24 years I never yet met with an instance of such conduct from a Native to an European. this Man was appointed Amuldar of Annamanaly by General Medows in 1790 since which I have never had a Complaint of him until this Instance

I have the Honor to be

Gentlemen

Your obedient

[illegible]

Dindygul

9th June 1796

List of the Packet No. 24

No 1 ~~Translation~~ of a declaration given by Chinnamm—

No 2 D° — letter from Iyah Cotty to G. Wynch Esq

No 3 D° — Declaration of the Head Inhabitants of Cumbum

No 4 Statement of Lands

No 5 Mr Hodart's letter to Mr Wynch

No 6 Letter from Iyah Cotty to

No 7 declaration of Moyarly Sebedar at Cumbum

No 8 D° — Vada Caroppen

No 9 D° — Caroppen Pilly

No 10 D° — Parrya Vannan

No 11 D° — Sada Copien

No 12 D° — Chocalingam

No 13 D° — Sada Coppen

No 14 Letter to the Board of Revenue

Dindygul

9 June 1796

G Wynch

To No 25 71

Mr Alexander Stodart

Sir

I have Recd your letter with its Enclosures which have been transmitted to the Board — As you Report to have Compleated your Mission & returned to Chinnamanoor you will be pleased on the Receipt of this to Return to your Station at Dindigul —

As I understand by your letter that Perumaul the Washerman is a Prisoner under the Havildar now with you you will send him immediately to Dindigul under charge of One of the Sepoys now with you —

I am

Sir

Your obedt Servant

G.P.W.
Collector

Dindigul
18 June 1796

No 29

To Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir

Agreeable to the order of the Board I Enclose Estimates for the Repairs of the Dams at Chelingputty & Wooppputty — These Estimates greatly exceed the Sums given in by me which is to be Accounted for in the following Manner

which

when Works are carried on by Contract the Estimates are Calcu-
lated at the price of labour & Materials whereas when carried
~~[illegible]~~ into Execution by the Natives the benefit being mutual
to the Renters & Ryot the Materials are procured at the first
hand & the Village Cooly Ryots &c carry the Works into
Execution at a much lower Rate than hirelings could be
procured for — I am still of Opinion that should the Gentlemen
of the Board of Revenue approve of the Works being carried
on in the mode hitherto adopted that the Expence will
not Exceed the Sum ~~Stated~~ Stated by the Renters Vizt 500
Chucks for Chelampatty & 100 for Wooppapatty —

Herewith I transmit you a Bill in
favor of the Board of Revenue for 5000 Star Pagodas under date
the 4th June 1796 —

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your obedt Servt
GW

Dindigul
10 June 1796

To
No. 31

Robert Woolf Esqr
Accountant ~~to the Board of Revenue~~ General

Sir
Herewith I transmit you Copy of a Bill from
the Paymaster in favor of the Bd of Revenue under date the
4th June 1796 —

I have the Honor to be
Sir Your obedt Servt
GW

Dindigul
10 June 1796

List of the Packet No 30 72

No 1 Estimate for the Chelleempetty Dam

No 2 D.______ Wooppypetty Do

No 3 Bills from the Paymaster

No 4 Letter to Mr Secy Lushington

Dindygul GW

10 June X

No 32

To

Cooppala Naigue

Polygar of Veerapatchee

I have this day Recd Accounts that Moothoo with a Number of Armed Peons proceeded against the Village of Munjacumpetty depending on Maroodoor in the Palayanandoo Toockady & murdered Pyliny Goundin & 4 Taudacaurun —

I Understand you have secured this Man you will therefore immediately send him into Dindygul with the Naigs Guard I now send to Receive him — I Remind you of the Proclamation sent you by me from Major General Floyd & have no doubt but of your ~~Readiness~~ immediate Compliance with this Order as you may Rest assured that any Polygar who in future Protects a Fugitive from the Sultauns or Protects those that are Guilty of depredations in the Sultauns Country will be proceeded Agt Agreeable to that Proclamation —

Dindygul GW

10 June 1796 Collector

To 73 No. 1 Mily Correspondence

Lt. Col. Cuppage

Commanding at Dindigul

Sir

I have to Request you will furnish a Naig's Guard to proceed to Veerapatchee to secure the Person of Moottoo who has committed depredations in the Sultaun's Country I have wrote to the Poligar to deliver say Moottoo to the Guard

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your obd. Servt.

G.W.

Collector

Dindigul

10 June 1796

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To No. 37

The Right Honble Robert Lord Hobart

President & Govr in Council

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My Lord

I have the Honor to inform your Lordships that I last night confined the person of Moottoo on the Rock of Dindigul — having in consequence of the accompanying Letter from Mahummadully Cawn Saib demanded his Person from the Poligar of Veerapatchee —

I have to Request your Lordships Commands respecting the Prisoner being delivered up to the Sultaun people —

I have the Honor to be with Respect

Your Lordships

Very Obedt. Servt.

G.W. Colly

Dindigul

13th June 1796

X

To

Edward Saunders Esqr

President & Members of the Bd of Revenue

Gentlemen

Agreeable to your orders transmitted by Mr Secretary Lushington under date the 13 May I have the Honor to inform you that the Renters of

Ventacaupetty
Amanoot
Vadamadura
Balkutnagaram
Chettynaicanpetty
Toddy Coombo
Puttypatty &
Vada Sendoor — being in Mattes in Arrears I have put these persons under Restraint until your pleasure is known — Appayee Petty professes to pay for these 8 Villages in 10 days — Shastra Iyer is likewise in Mattes in Arrears for the Village of Tamara Colum I have therefore sent Peons to secure his Person. On his arrival at Dindigul I shall have the Honor to inform you of the period at which he is likely to make good his payment —

I have the Honor to Submit Copy of my letter to Lingum with his Reply I am enclined to

think

thinks it is not his intention to Recover the Gratuity ordered [75]
[illegible] by Government —

I have the Honble
Gentlemen
Your most Obed Servt
[illegible]

Dindigul
13 June 1796

List of the Packet — No 39

No 1 Letter to Lieutenant
No 2 D from D—
No 3 Letter to the Board of Revenue
[illegible]

Dindigul
13 [illegible] 1796

No 41

To
Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr
Acting [illegible] Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir
I have Recd your letter of the 9th with its Enclosures 2nd
am Concerned that the Copy of the Bill for Decr 1795 was
Omitted since that period to this date they have been
Regularly forwarded in

The Enclosed Representation having been
Submitted through the Commanding Officer I Request you will
lay it before the Board having already fully offered my opinion
Respecting Pylney I have only to add that this Representation
has

has made no alteration therein — 76

I am obliged to inform the Board that Mahommedully bake Saib One of the Sultaun's Subadars having demanded the person of Moottum a fugitive from the Sultaun's Country I yesterday forwarded the letter to Government & have requested of Lt. Colonel Cuppage to conform the Man untill I receive their orders —

I have the Hon. to be
Sir
Your obedt. Servt.
GW

Dindegul
14 June 1796

No 42

List of the Packet
No 1 Letter from Lt. Col. Cuppage
No 2 Representation from Polygar of Pylney
No 3 Letter from Mahommedully bake Saib
No 4 Letter to Acting Surg. Lushington

GW

Dindegul
14 June 1796

No 43

To
Vella Cundana Naique
Polygar of Yamyadoo

It is my positive order that you desist from all interference with the Renters of Toddy Cumbros & ...

fermed

permit his people to Repair the Tanks otherways you will be held Responsible for the loss of Revenue to the Company the Water must be divided According to Mamool you having your proper Share of the Renters his — You are Still in Arrears 2650 Chuckrs for your 2 first Kists if you do not discharge the Ballance immediately you will certainly loose your Pollam —

G W
Collector

Dindygul
14 June 1796

No 44

To
Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir
Herewith I Enclose you a Receipt for the Stationary this day Received —

Be so obliging as to Represent to the Board the very great want of Royal Paper for Carrying on the fair Copy of the Records & to Request their permission to purchase a Rheam unless at case they should be pleased to send it from Madrass

I have the Honor to be
Sir your obedient Servant
G W

Dindygul
15 June 1796

Henr Entered
A

To No. 47 78

Mr. Alexr. Stodart

Sir

I have read your letter, you will be pleased to order the Havildar & Sepoys to Repair to my House that I may Return them into Garrison & then you will likewise send the Jents Dellocks & ca. to me — & furnish me with a Certificate Specifying the time the Lascars have been Employed by you —

I am
Sir
Your obedt. Servt.
GW
Collector

Dindigul
16 June 1796

To No. 49

John Mitford Esqr.
Accountant to the Bd. of Revenue

Sir

Herewith I transmit you my Accts. for the Month of May —

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your obedt. Servt.
GW

Dindigul
17 June 1796

To 79 No 51

Comar Sinnanna Naigue

Polygar of Yerra Cottah

I send you the Representation of Soobbramoneya Chetty & desire that immediately on the Receipt of this you send your Prodanie to attend the Huzoor Cutchery that the Complaint may be Enquired into. — It is my positive orders to you to send in your Head Money immediately —

G.W.
Collector

Dindygul
19th. Jan. 1796

To No. 54

Rambuddra Naigue X

Polygar of Vadugurray

I Send you the Substance of a Complaint alledged Agt. you by the Mahajanums of Tencarry immediately on the Receipt of this you are to restore the 100 Chs of the Effects of the Village Releasing the 10 Inhabitants & 4 Women you will likewise send your Son or Prodanie to the Huzoor Cutchery to Answer for such Nefarious Conduct when I will fully Investigate the Complaint —

Dindygul
19 Jan 1796

G.W.
Collector

No 55 81.

To

Vencatasun Iyen

I have ordered Rambaddra Naigue to Restore the property you Complain of his having taken & to Relieve the people — I have likewise ordered his Son or Pradanie to attend the Huzoor Cutchery when I have his answer taken before you that you may produce the Witness you mention —

GWW
Collector

Dindigul
19 June 1796

No 59

To

Edward Saunders Esqr

President & Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

I was on the 16 Instant honored with your letter of the 5 Instant Respecting the Pollam of Matoor & state in Consequence of it being kept under Management — I have likewise Recd Mr Acting Secy Lushingtons letter of the 14 Instant Subsequent to my having the Honor to address you on the 17 of Feby 1795 it was Represented to me by the Vakeels that 7 Months of the Polygar having expired certain ~~Negotiations~~ Negotiations having been made & that if I Refused Receiving such Sums the loss would

ultimately

ultimately fall very heavy on the Polygar to obviate which I was in some degree obliged to deviate from the System I wished to Establish for Phusly 1204 Permit me Gentlemen to Observe that the transaction in Yerrigadoo is of a very different nature the Polygar representing that 12 of his Villages are Mortgaged — I shall you may Rely exert every means in my power to enforce the Payment of the tribute I beg leave to Submit to you the expediency of Transmitting a Copy of the Bond of Veera Chennama Naick Polygar of Yellamody to the Collector of the Southern Division of Ramnad here to call on the Polygar to make good the Ballance of Deedanapetty for Phusly 1204 agreeable to the Security he stands entered into on his Sons being appointed Polygar —

No Money as yet has been Recd. from Nella Cottah —

I have likewise to Request your Instructions Respecting the Renting of Sandayar as yet I have been unsuccessful in getting the Inhabitants to stand forward I have not however given up so desirable an Object altho I have but little hopes of Succeeding I Expect the Head Inhabitants in a few days & shall have the Honor to inform you of the Result should they Continue to decline it I Request your Orders whether I am permitted to Advertise it for Rent —

In Respect to Cumbum Talook I am of opinion that it would not be advisable to offer it for Rent untill

some

some adjustment takes place Deputy Cuttjee Gumdum when the Offices would most certainly be more Advantageous than at present —

I have the Honor to transmit Comparative Statement of Servants for Phuzly 1205 & 1206 Subject to such alteration as must Necessarily Occur if all or any part of the Ammanie Lands are Rented —

We &c &c

Gentlemen

Dindigul
22d June 1796

Your Most &c
G W

No 61

To

Robert Hughes Esqr

Paymaster at Madura

Sir

I have Recd. your letter of the 20 Instant I can only Supply you with 3000 Star Pagodas for the by the 1st of June —

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Dindigul
22d June 1796

Your Obedt Servt
G W
Collector

To

Lingum Monigar

I have Recd your letter, when you repair to Dindigul I shall pay you the Money ordered by Government your Brothers coming to me is of no use as any Representation you have to make must be from yourself —

Dindigul
22d June 1796

G.W.
Collector